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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

AUSTRALIA.

Sydney—Examination of Rats.

The following information was taken from bulletins issued by the department of public health of New South Wales:

During the four weeks ended August 12, 1,878 rats were examined for plague infection. No plague-infected rat was found.

The last case of human plague was reported May 29, 1909.

The last plague-infected rat was found April 25, 1910.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

Fiume Declared Free from Cholera.

Consul Slocum forwards a statement dated August 28 from the ministerial councillor declaring Fiume to be free from cholera.

CHINA.

Manchuria—Cholera.

Surg. Irwin at Yokohama reports, September 4, that since August 15, 23 cases of cholera have been reported at Dalny and 10 cases at Kinchow.

CUBA.

Transmissible Diseases.

The following statement of transmissible diseases in the island of Cuba was issued by the national department of sanitation:

AUGUST 11-20, 1911.

Diseases.	New cases.	Deaths.	Remaining under treatment.
Tuberculosis.....	42	63	2,172
Leprosy.....	3	1	346
Malaria.....	31	8	135
Typhoid fever.....	34	15	110
Diphtheria.....	19	4	13
Scarlet fever.....	5	1	10
Measles.....	42	2	116
Varicella.....	2	0	2
Tetanus in the new born.....	9	8	2
Filariasis.....	0	0	2

ECUADOR.

Guayaquil—Plague and Yellow Fever.

Passed Asst. Surg. Parker reports September 5 that for the last 16 days of the month of August there were reported 9 new cases of plague with 6 deaths and 3 new cases of yellow fever with 1 death in the city of Guayaquil.